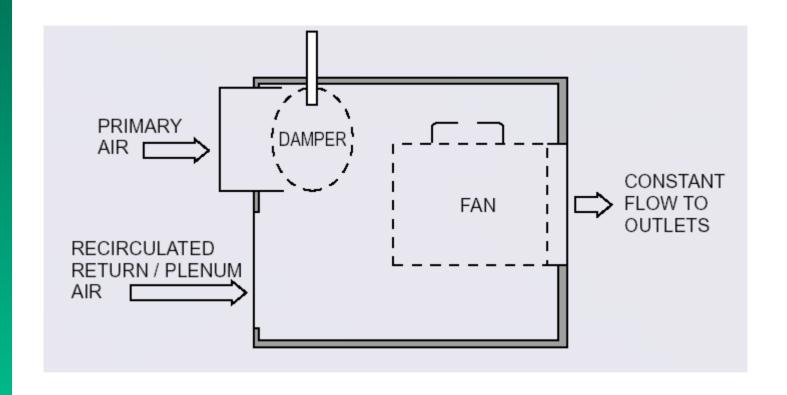
Electronically Commutated Motors (ECMs) in Series Fan Powered Terminal Units



Series Fan Powered Terminal Unit



Source: www.krueger-hvac.com



Typical Motor

- AC induction motor
- ½, ½, ¾, or 1 hp
- Typically only 40-50% efficient
- As low as 15-20% efficient at part load
- Primitive speed control



Electronically Commutated Motor

- DC motor
- >70% efficiency
- Efficient at part load due to efficient speed control
- New definition:

ELECTRONICALLY-COMMUTATED MOTOR is a brushless DC motor with a permanent magnet rotor that is surrounded by stationary motor windings. An electronic controller varies rotor speed and direction by sequentially supplying DC current to the windings.



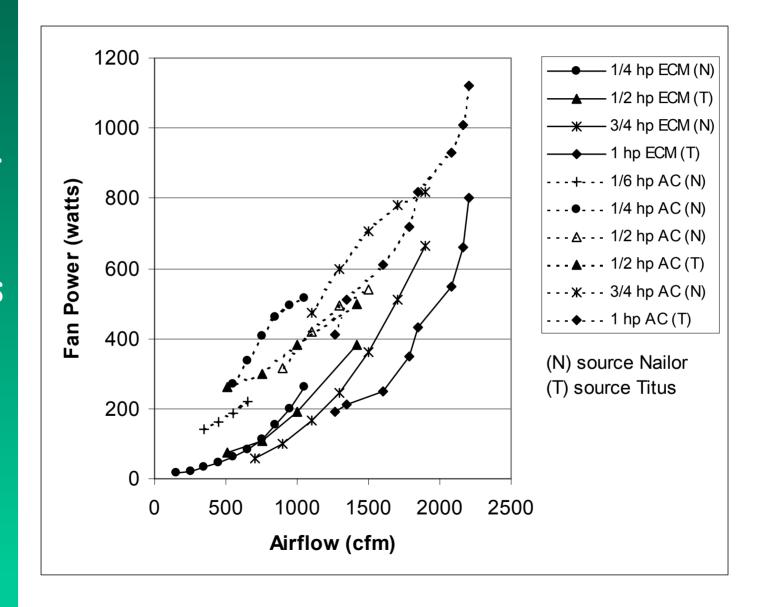
New Requirement

Added to §144(c)2:

C. Fan motors of 1 horsepower or less in series terminal units shall be electronically-commutated motors or shall have a minimum motor efficiency of 70% when rated in accordance with NEMA Standard MG-1 at full load rating conditions.

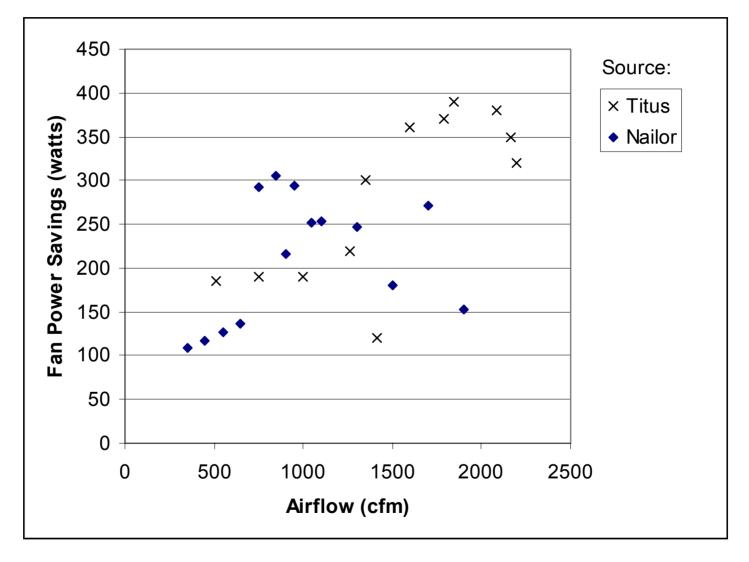


Fan Power Comparison





Fan Power Savings





Savings

Airflow	Savings		Savings		Savings	
(cfm)	(watts)		(kWh/yr)		(\$ present value)	
	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High
500	110	185	466	784	\$639	\$1,075
1000	190	310	806	1,314	\$1,104	\$1,801
1500	120	320	509	1,357	\$697	\$1,859
2000	150	390	636	1,654	\$871	\$2,265



Cost Effectiveness

- Mfr cost of \$155 to \$250 extra per motor
- \$200 to \$325 assuming 30% markup
- Costs are significantly lower than life-cycle savings.

